

in the North with guerrillas and liberate areas in the North. Only then will there be a kind of equilibrium and a sense of starting any kind of negotiations.

On all those issues, the actual U. S. action in Vietnam, except on the first point of the bombing which is for the moment only a scratching, is inefficient and if it remains so, it confirms the doubts in Saigon and in Asia that the U. S. is conducting in Vietnam only a rear battle of capitulation.

Then is the political aspect of the situation. The world communism through its conscious and unconscious stooges and through some innocent, if only innocent, people in the State Department and Embassy of Saigon is trying to manipulate the U. S. policy toward bringing into key positions in Saigon government neutralists, crypto-communist and pro-communist elements who will finally bring a kind of negotiation and deal with the Viet Cong so the U. S. could say to the world, "We did everything possible. But the Vietnamese government itself is asking for neutralization and for our withdrawal." This subtle maneuver almost succeeded with the last Quat government. In that government besides Quat, who is a weak opportunist, were: (1) Tran-Quang-Thuan, Minister of Social Action, intimate friend and tool of the famous communist trained Buddhist Monk, Thich-Tri-Quang, who is the main communist infiltration brain in South Vietnam. (2) Tran-Van-Tuyen, Deputy Premier, opportunist, neutralist, and also connected with Thich-Tri-Quang. (3) Nguyen-Hoa-Hiep, former Minister of Interior, opportunist, neutralist. They were helped in the Army especially by General Thi, Commander of the 1st Corps bordering North Vietnam and Laotian border. He is known in spite of his official denials for his pro-neutralist and pro-communist leanings. (4) General Ky, former Chief of Armed Forces, young, versatile, ambitious opportunist.

The new change in Vietnam brought up the serious anti-communist General Theu helped by very serious anti-communist General Tran-Van-Minh. But this last victory of anti-neutralist elements in Vietnam government was watered down by the presence of General Ky as new Premier. Fortunately, the Premier in the new set-up has not so much power as before, the highest power being in the hands of the President of Military Counsel, General Theu. But General Ky's presence always gives new possibilities to the pro-communist, pro-neutralist elements in Saigon-Vietnamese government, in Saigon U. S. Embassy, in State Department to continue the pro-neutralist maneuverings; to bring some day the situation to the point where they can say to the U. S. President, "Nothing can be done. They, the Vietnamese themselves, asked for neutralistic, real pro-communist solution."

The conquest of the South Vietnam is in the present moment the main issue for the world communism. It is a part of its global and totalitarian war; therefore, they are organizing a worldwide pressure outside and inside U. S. in the press, radio and campuses to confuse the public opinion and modify the internal resistance of the U. S. Therefore, to win the war in Vietnam, is necessary total action too. It is necessary to organize counter-action in the press, radio, television and campuses in the U. S. and all over the world. It is necessary to continuously enlighten the public opinion all over the world about what is really going on in Vietnam, and bring more Asiatic troops and volunteers to the battle fields in Vietnam.

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The follow is a digest of opinions expressed by Dr. George:

Dr. Anthony Kubek, Dallas University, who wrote the book, HOW THE FAR EAST WAS LOST, is very well-informed regarding the communist menace. Dr. Kubek vouches for Professor Paul George and, apparently, agrees with nearly all the statements which Professor George makes.

Professor George was born in Italy. He teaches sociology and is now with Marivanios College, Trivandrum, Kerala State, South India. He is 58.

He has been in the Far East since 1947 and makes frequent trips to South Vietnam. During

the period 1947, 1948 and 1949 Professor George taught in Fugen University, a Catholic college, in Peiping, China, and later taught in a university in Formosa.

George had close contact with Chiang Kai-shek.

George thinks that the U. S. will inevitably lose the war in South Vietnam if the U. S. continues to use the present personnel.

He thinks the war is probably being conducted at present for the purpose of losing it, creating the impression that we will have done all we could possibly do and our withdrawal from South Vietnam when it occurs is absolutely necessary.

George says that the present engagements afford the Chinese and Russians perfect practice in military procedure.

Cambodia is already a communist satellite and 2/3rds of Laos is occupied by the communists. Northern Burma is undermined by the Chinese guerrillas; Indonesia is already a part of world communism; Thailand will be forced to switch to the other side. In that event India and Pakistan will become defenseless. All Asia will be overtaken by the world communists.

George says that any serious fighting in Europe will result in a nuclear war; whereas, the fighting in Southeast Asia will not precipitate an all-out nuclear war.

Haiphong, the main harbor, is not being touched. Neither are the supply lines leading South from China.

George blamed the U. S. Ambassadors, Patterson, and Mannfull as being responsible for the leaks, but judging from what happened during the Korean War, the plans which are formulated in Washington must be transmitted to the enemy immediately as they are decided upon.

George seems to think that President Johnson makes the decisions in all situations.

Professor George was in South Vietnam about the time the Diem government was overthrown. He thinks Ambassadors Patterson and Mannfull were primarily responsible for the overthrow and Cabot Lodge did nothing to discourage the plans.

The loss of Diem was a catastrophe.

George's opinions are the same as veritabily thousands of anti-communists in the U. S., some of whom can be consulted, who have all about given up except he is much better informed than the average.

In attempting to classify the different key figures as far as anti-communist, pro-communist, and ability is concerned, the good ones are given a symbol of A, B, C; and the bad ones Z (lowest grade), Y, X; the in-betweens are given a symbol of N.

General Theu	A	McGeorge Bundy	Z
Thomas Mann	A	Dean Acheson	X
(would make a good		Hans Morgenthau	Z
Secretary of State)		George Klein	Z
General Tran Van Minh	B	Maxwell Taylor	X
General Wheeler	B	Robert McNamara	N
General Westmoreland	B	Thich Tri Quang	Z
Thomas Corcoran	N	(Buddhist Monk)	
Dean Rusk	X	Bui-Diem	Y
Ambassador Patterson	Z	Premier Quat	Y
Ambassador Mannfull	Z	General Thi	Y
Walter Rostow	Z	Philip Jessup	X
Adam Yarmolinsky	Z	Averell Harriman	Y
Bill Bundy	Z		

The lesser lights under the key figures who have been classified as bad are generally loyal to their superiors and share their philosophy.

Anti-communists have differing opinions of Diem and also Madam Nhu. A down-to-date reclassification by Dr. George or any competent anti-communist of key personnel could be helpful.

Rev. Daniel Lyons, S. J., Asian Speakers Bureau, 3 Pacific Association, Inc., 86 Riverside Drive, New York, New York, is one of the most competent anti-communists in the nation and is familiar with South Vietnam.

In the light of recent events the opinions of Mr. George expressed ten months ago have a greater value.

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EDITED by LLOYD SHEARER



RACHELE MUSSOLINI

DICTATOR'S WIDOW

Stalin, Hitler, and Mussolini, the three major political dictators of the century, were all miserable husbands. Stalin drove his first wife to suicide. Syphilitic Hitler talked Eva Braun into taking cyanide capsules with him. And Mussolini refused to marry his mistress Rachele until five years after she gave birth to their first child.

Of the three dictator wives, only Rachele Mussolini, 78, is living. A shrewd, stubborn peasant, she has finally won her 7-year campaign against the Italian government for a state pension.

She has been awarded about \$600 a month but now plans to sue for another \$50,000 on the basis of an 1895 law which holds that the wife of an Italian Prime Minister is entitled to a pension

no matter what her husband did in office. Donna Rachele also wants the Mussolini real estate which the Allies confiscated after World War II.

Benito Mussolini liked to pass himself off as a model family man, but it was no secret to Donna Rachele and others in the Fascist hierarchy that he was a male nymphomaniac. Mussolini used to insist upon a new female conquest for lunch each afternoon, and he kept in the days of his potency a wide variety of mistresses, the last of whom was Clara Petacci, a stupid, bovine character who was murdered with him when they were both caught fleeing Italy.

Donna Rachele, however, refuses to dwell on her husband's infidelities. She is most interested in his properties and "great services to Italy," which she values in the millions. She claims she is entitled to a large share of these not only for herself but her children: Vittorio, 52, the so-called black sheep of the family who lives with her; Edda Ciano, 58, wife of Count Ciano who left her well taken care of with money, jewels and a villa on Capri, and Romano, 41, Italy's number one jazz pianist, who is married to Sophia Loren's sister.

EDUCATING THE POLICE

Until the 1930's when the Depression overtook America, the job of policeman was virtually the monopoly of the poor, uneducated, lower-class U.S. male.

In 1916, Professors

Lewis Terman and Arthur Otis tested 30 police candidates for the police force in San Jose, Calif. Only three had I.Q.'s of 100 or better.

In Detroit a few years later, Louis Thurstone surveyed the police force and revealed that higher

ranking police officers were far less intelligent than the cops they commanded.

In 1939, sociologist Read Bain, writing in the *Scientific Monthly*, stated flatly, on the basis of his research, that 75% of the policemen in the U.S. were mentally unfit for their work.

Gunnar Myrdal in *American Dilemma*, a classic which appeared in 1944, said of Southern policemen: "Almost anyone on the outside of the penitentiary who weighs enough and is not blind or crippled can be considered as a police candidate."

In the past two decades the law-enforcement occupation has made a concentrated attempt to obtain professional status, but the public still suffers from myopia where the police image is concerned. In too many quarters it holds fast to the unfair stereotype of "the dumb, chiseling, grafting, sadistic flatfoot."

One reason this image persists is that there is no national basic educational or training requirement for U.S. policemen. Some cities boast superb police officers. In others they're midget-brains. The variance is too wide.

In Baltimore, for example, as recently as 1966 more than 21% of the police force had never gone to school beyond the 8th grade. By separating more than 600 men from the force, Baltimore has reduced that figure to 11%, but even that is too high.

U.S. Attorney General Ramsey Clark announced a few weeks ago that \$6.5 million in federal funds is now available to finance college educations for policemen. The money will be administered by the new Law Enforcement Assistance Administration in the Justice Department.

It is a step in the right direction -- up.

LYNDON JOHNSON AND OIL

When a man reaches 60 and has built an estate valued at \$15 million, when a man

is retiring from politics with a life pension of more than \$100,000 per year, there is not too much anyone can do to him. He has reached a time for bravery.

This is the enviable position Lyndon Johnson occupies. Which is why, with two months left in office, he is willing to take on the mighty oil interests whose financial support he solicited in 30 years of running for office.

As he leaves Washington, D.C., Johnson is trying to plug in a minor way one of the major income tax loopholes in the revenue code: the 27% oil depletion allowance.

He is trying to do this in typical Johnson fashion — through a set of Internal Revenue rules which needs no Congressional approval.

These reforms would cost the oil and gas industry about \$100 million a year in additional taxes. Accordingly, the oil lobby, one of the most potent and influential in the nation, is screaming murder. It is accusing Lyndon Johnson, once its most powerful supporter in Congress, of unspeakable treachery. *U.S. Oil Week*, a trade publication, writes that the President "supped at oil's table for three years." The *Oil and Gas Journal* says, "Tax officials are making a bold, back-door bid to whack percentage depletion benefits for oil and gas before the Johnson Administration goes out of office."

What oil company executives are calling the President in private is not fit to print. In 1965 their corporations deducted \$3 billion from income before paying taxes, and they want the procedure continued. That Lyndon Johnson, one of their own Texas boys to whose campaigns they contributed a small fortune, that "ole Lyndon" should now try to slip in the knife -- for them such behavior constitutes unpardonable perfidy and at best a perverted sense of financial patriotism.

Step you back it to show a good - most of all

Dear President Johnson,

I know you are doing all you can to win the war in Viet Nam and I am convinced that your whole family wants us to win, so I thought if Linda Bird would volunteer as a nurse's aid or in some capacity it would prove to the misguided dissenters that Big Business, the great Generals and you are right and that the dissenters are wrong.

It took Billions of years for our Earth to form, and in so doing it deposited many precious minerals such as tin tungsten Manganese etc., It also deposited soil where rubber trees, banana and sugar cane plants grow. This all happened for one purpose only it took place especially for the American Corporations and the favored few around the World.

At the present time we only have some 60% of these precious resources in our lilly white hands, so for God's sake lets not stop until we get

them all. To get these goodies people will have to be killed but never mind if we call them Commies all good free interpersers here at home have a built in desire to kill all Commies.

Don't let anybody tell you that our hands are stuck together with blood no matter how many people around the World think so.

Future Victorians will praise us for what we are doing, they will praise us for stopping the population explosion and for protecting the divine rights of the American Corporations. Let us always remember that God is on our side, and always remember that our boys will always be willing to fight and die, not really knowing what a great cause they are dying for. All this convinces me that your daughter will be willing to serve too.

There will be many other fields to harvest, so carry on, let's not.

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fail this time just because the Germans
failed before us.

Resp. Yours

H. L. Hunt.

Texas

June 26, 1968

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

Copies of past letters sent to the President and Mrs. Johnson by H. L. Hunt, including his June 20, 1968, letters to each, may be filed.

This is on the advice of Booth Mooney, with whom Mrs. Roberts discussed the question on June 25. Mr. Mooney said Mr. Hunt does not expect an acknowledgment but that he would let Hunt know they have been received.



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May 8, 1961

President John F. Kennedy
The White House
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Dear President Kennedy:

It is my impression that you are now seeking people with the highest loyalty to our country for positions in Government.

You are very unfortunate to have inherited from four previous administrations many of doubtful loyalty. You have not only inherited them, but have inherited the tragic situations they created. Some are thought only to be dedicated liberals who are a little tolerant toward Socialism, but if there is any doubt of their Patriotism it may be unwise to give them the benefit of the doubt.

In trying to detect a subversive, people make the mistake of looking for their "selfish motive" and in doing so miss the correct answer. People fail to understand that the Socialists and Communists are supremely unselfish. It would be helpful if people could understand that the Mistaken enemies of Freedom have a religion to which they are fanatically dedicated. They are much more dedicated to their religion than Christians to theirs.

The fancied goal of the Communist and Socialist is to attain a perfect state of society and to accomplish this they believe that the beautiful "end" they envisage justifies whatever means employed, however vicious. Everything that those who enjoy this fanatical religion do in business, in their profession and in society, is only a sideshow to their religion. If their business is big, their religion is bigger, etc.

In view of the tremendous duties you face, it may be a good idea for you to set up in your mind a group of advisers regarding the Communist conspiracy and the persons you can use to best advantage in combating the great menace. In the Senate, the opinions of Senators Eastland, Talmadge and Bridges would be very helpful and easily ascertained. Congressman Walter is one of several in the House whose opinions you could arrange to get first, second or third hand.

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In trying to detect a subversive, people make the mistake of looking for their "selfish motive" and in doing so miss the correct answer. People fail to understand that the Socialists and Communists are supremely unselfish. It would be helpful if people could understand that the Mistaken enemies of Freedom have a religion to which they are fanatically dedicated. They are much more dedicated to their religion than Christians to theirs.

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Congo Down the Drain

THE CONGO is being won by the Communists. Again our stupid, spineless policies have played into the hands of Mr. Khrushchev. For years the visionary, bleeding hearts of America said that Belgium should get out of the Congo. Well, Belgium got out. And Belgium is our ally.

So who comes in? A Moscow stooge, Patrice Lumumba. Rebellion ensued and Lumumba was murdered. In the rich Katanga province, a fierce anti-Communist — President Moise Tshombe — made it plain the he would have no part of the new pro-Communist regime. The Katanga, he warned, would remain free.

THE UNITED NATIONS moved in "to keep the peace." "Keeping the peace" has meant gradual suppression of anti-Communist elements, including President Tshombe who is under the machine-gun fire of U.N. troops right now.

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In the absence of any other policy, or of any courage, the United States government backs the U.N.

THE CONGO STORY is not new. Laos was lost similarly. Cuba went Communist more directly. British Guiana fell to the Reds by propaganda and subversion. Previously Indonesia was absorbed.

In the meantime, our State Department through its many "career experts" prefers not to rock the boat and, by not rocking, permits agents of the Kremlin to gobble up one country at a time.

No wonder Mr. Khrushchev says war would be silly. He is winning his "war" without firing a shot. Communism is spreading like wildfire. Why should he risk his neck or put out the fire?

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By BILL McCLANAHAN
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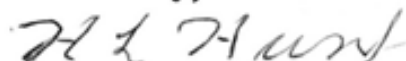
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You might start off with a masterful arrangement to make you appear to so much greater advantage than Ike as to your availability. I suppose the White House can be conducted in a way it would afford you complete protection from intrusion and another home 15 or 20 minutes away could give similar protection. Recreation spots within 30 or 40 minutes comfortable automobile travel would be good.

The public would immediately realize that finally we have a full time President. This may appear to be a minor point and yet be of great importance.

Please take this idea only for what it cost. With best wishes,

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President John F. Kennedy
The White House
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April 22, 1961

Dear President Kennedy:

I am not an authority and hate to impose my views, but I am sure that in giving you my opinion, it will not do you any harm. For a few years I have looked upon Sukarno as being second only to Khrushchev in the conspiracy to destroy freedom.

Sukarno is much more harmful than Tito, Gomulka or anyone in the Soviet bloc outside Red China because he is given a status of "neutral". I think of him as being much more dangerous than the Red Chinese leaders at the present time because of the great resources of Indonesia and the fact that he is considered a neutral.

I believe him more harmful than Nehru inasmuch as he is more powerful and there have been more question marks regarding Nehru.

Sukarno is indeed powerful in that he has imposed the Communist rule in a country I believe to be about 90% Moslem. I think it is nearly impossible to get a devout Moslem to subscribe to Communism.

It seems that the major oil companies will not give a true account of the situation in Indonesia, so I presume none of the other large businesses will. This leaves you, as a source of information, the State Department and the United Nations, neither of which you should believe.

I do not think that you should depend on any information coming from a source with which Dr. Frank Graham has been connected.

The best information I had on the subject was during the past few years the Soviets and the United States acted as a team on approximately a 50-50 basis in supplying Sukarno with planes, ships, tanks, armaments, ammunitions and supplies to put down the rebellion of genuine anti-Communists.

Sukarno may be the most effective of all pro-Communist missionaries. About the time Khrushchev came to the United Nations, I recall that Sukarno visited many Southern Asian and African countries, Puerto Rico and, I believe, points on the Latin American mainland before skipping over to Hawaii. Sukarno, as an emissary, can hurt the United States more than any other person.

If I am correct in the fears I have expressed, I hope there are reliable sources that will verify to you some or all of the statements.

Inasmuch as Eisenhower argued with me in 1950, the first time I ever met him, about Alger Hiss after Hiss had been convicted and about Phillip Jessup; and now since we have lost hundreds of millions of people into Communism during his eight presidential years, I do not believe that he can help you nor that you should depend on him.

Sincerely,

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I believe that Sukarno was in Los Angeles on his way to Washington at the time I wrote this letter and I was hoping that Kennedy would not roll out the red carpet for him.

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Houston - April 25, 1961

President John F. Kennedy
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Kennedy:

A few months ago I had talked to Mr. Frank Kluckhorn of the State Department, whose address at that time was 2138 California Avenue, N.W., Washington 8, D.C.

He told me that there was a group of about 150 in the State Department who prided themselves on loyalty to the United States, and he was quite sure that each one of them was definitely loyal. In an upper echelon I presume Loy Henderson is dependable, and can tell you of others who are.

As to the Defense Department, I have regarded Gen. George C. Kenney (retd.), as very astute and a person who can be depended on, if he says who is okay. His New York telephone number is PL.7-7633.

The Chief of Staff, Gen. Lyman L. Lemmonier had a pretty dubious record prior to the outbreak of the war in Korea. It may be that he has changed.

I feel that J. Edgar Hoover could give you the names of the most dependable persons available to you.

If these names I have mentioned do not do you any good, I am quite confident they will not do you any harm.

Dr. Emilio Portuondo, Tel: WO.6-0680, Washington, D.C., knows a great deal about the actual Cuban situation, and the same should be true of his son Ricardo Garcia of the same address, and his son-in-law Garcia Navarro, Tel: JACKSON.2-1740, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

I cannot vouch for these three former Cubans. It may be easy for you to ascertain their reliability.

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Now I think that you must take a very decided stand against Communism in every form in which it becomes manifest. During the past two years I have repeatedly said there is no need of being President of the United States if there will not continue to be a United States.

I also note that the duties of the Central Intelligence Agency are being shifted to the Defense Department. This must be a move in the right direction. It seems nothing which the Dulleses ever did turned out good. This would include John Foster Dulles choosing his successor when he himself was passing out of the picture with the reputation for being the greatest anti-Communist of all time. He was generously given this accord regardless of his part in setting up the impractical representation and functions of United Nations, his sponsorship of Alger Hiss, his trip to Korea just before South Korea was invaded, the failure of the Baghdad Pact, the loss of millions into slavery while he was dominating our foreign policy, and his many other actions which led to the present desperate situation.

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In succeeding him you will necessarily be compared with him and because of his great popularity you may be at a disadvantage. You could be made to look a little bad without any justification.

The Eisenhower myth needs to be dispelled and there occurs to me a good step in this direction. Ike spends so much time away from the White House that the many prominent people who are subjected to great inconvenience in going to confer with him must have been quite irritated. It was so often either Burning Tree, Camp David, Gettysburg, Augusta, Georgia, fishing spots, hunting spots, summer homes in Colorado or New England or golfing in Hawaii or Puerto Rico. The American people surely felt they had very much a part time President. I know in the campaign your frequent statements "I believe we must get to work full time" made a hit.

You might start off with a masterful arrangement to make you appear to so much greater advantage than Ike as to your availability. I suppose the White House can be conducted in a way it would afford you complete protection from intrusion and another home 15 or 20 minutes away could give similar protection. Recreation spots within 30 or 40 minutes comfortable automobile travel would be good.

The public would immediately realize that finally we have a full time President. This may appear to be a minor point and yet be of great importance.

Please take this idea only for what it cost. With best wishes,

Sincerely,

H. L. Hunt

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H. L. HUNT

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President John F. Kennedy
The White House
Washington, D. C.

April 22, 1961

Dear President Kennedy:

I am not an authority and hate to impose my views, but I am sure that in giving you my opinion, it will not do you any harm. For a few years I have looked upon Sukarno as being second only to Khrushchev in the conspiracy to destroy freedom.

Sukarno is much more harmful than Tito, Gomulka or anyone in the Soviet bloc outside Red China because he is given a status of "neutral". I think of him as being much more dangerous than the Red Chinese leaders at the present time because of the great resources of Indonesia and the fact that he is considered a neutral.

I believe him more harmful than Nehru inasmuch as he is more powerful and there have been more question marks regarding Nehru.

Sukarno is indeed powerful in that he has imposed the Communist rule in a country I believe to be about 90% Moslem. I think it is nearly impossible to get a devout Moslem to subscribe to Communism.

It seems that the major oil companies will not give a true account of the situation in Indonesia, so I presume none of the other large businesses will. This leaves you, as a source of information, the State Department and the United Nations, neither of which you should believe.

I do not think that you should depend on any information coming from a source with which Dr. Frank Graham has been connected.

The best information I had on the subject was during the past few years the Soviets and the United States acted as a team on approximately a 50-50 basis in supplying Sukarno with planes, ships, tanks, armaments, ammunitions and supplies to put down the rebellion of genuine anti-Communists.

Sukarno may be the most effective of all pro-Communist missionaries. About the time Khrushchev came to the United Nations, I recall that Sukarno visited many Southern Asian and African countries, Puerto Rico and, I believe, points on the Latin American mainland before skipping over to Hawaii. Sukarno, as an emissary, can hurt the United States more than any other person.

If I am correct in the fears I have expressed, I hope there are reliable sources that will verify to you some or all of the statements.

Inasmuch as Eisenhower argued with me in 1950, the first time I ever met him, about Alger Hiss after Hiss had been convicted and about Phillip Jessup; and now since we have lost hundreds of millions of people into Communism during his eight presidential years, I do not believe that he can help you nor that you should depend on him.

Sincerely,

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I believe that Sukarno was in Los Angeles on his way to Washington at the time I wrote this letter and I was hoping that Kennedy would not roll out the red carpet for him.

HLH

Houston - April 25, 1961

President John F. Kennedy
The White House
Washington, D.C.

Dear President Kennedy:

A few months ago I had talked to Mr. Frank Kluckhorn of the State Department, whose address at that time was 2138 California Avenue, N.W., Washington 8, D.C.

He told me that there was a group of about 150 in the State Department who prided themselves on loyalty to the United States, and he was quite sure that each one of them was definitely loyal. In an upper echelon I presume Loy Henderson is dependable, and can tell you of others who are.

As to the Defense Department, I have regarded Gen. George C. Kenney(Retd.), as very astute and a person who can be depended on, if he says who is okay. His New York telephone number is PL.7-7633.

The Chief of Staff, Gen. Lymitzer had a pretty dubious record prior to the outbreak of the war in Korea. It may be that he has changed.

I feel that J. Edgar Hoover could give you the names of the most dependable persons available to you.

If these names I have mentioned do not do you any good, I am quite confident they will ~~not do you any harm.~~

Dr. Emilio Portuondo, Tel: WO.6-0680, Washington, D.C., knows a great deal about the actual Cuban situation, and the same should be true of his son Ricardo Garcia of the same address, and his son-in-law Garcia Navarro, Tel: JACKSON.2-1740, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

I cannot vouch for these three former Cubans. It may be easy for you to ascertain their reliability.

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President John F. Kennedy
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Dear President Kennedy:

I am very glad at the strong stand you have taken against Communism and I think you must be concerned about the loyalty to the United States on the part of its citizenry and leading figures in public life.

I recall when you came up to my room in Los Angeles just after you had made your acceptance speech, I said that I do not think you can campaign against Communism, to which you replied "I believe that I can", and I re-affirmed that I thought you could not, and I believe you said you were going to try to. I continued to say that you could not and hope to be elected. I believe it is different now.

Now I think that you must take a very decided stand against Communism in every form in which it becomes manifest. During the past two years I have repeatedly said there is no need of being President of the United States if there will not continue to be a United States.

I also note that the duties of the Central Intelligence Agency are being shifted to the Defense Department. This must be a move in the right direction. It seems nothing which the Dulleses ever did turned out good. This would include John Foster Dulles choosing his successor when he himself was passing out of the picture with the reputation for being the greatest anti-Communist of all time. He was generously given this accord regardless of his part in setting up the impractical representation and functions of United Nations, his sponsorship of Alger Hiss, his trip to Korea just before South Korea was invaded, the failure of the Baghdad Pact, the loss of millions into slavery while he was dominating our foreign policy, and his many other actions which led to the present desperate situation.

I do not believe that you can successfully combat Communism single-handedly and alone. You must depend on your appointments and they must be worthy of your confidence.

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July 29, 1968

Frank Matthews:

Frank this came to Mr. Perry as is.
I called Juanita and she said to just file
it. I said Central Files or send it back
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Thanks.

Ruth Mahoney

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I believe (maybe not) that LBJ can become the natural champion of congressional committees and decry the attempt of students and agitators to illegally interfere with the conduct of their sworn duties. If the students can be decried in another part of the talk, young K can be referred to as a bright product of the present-day colleges.

I have marked some spots in LIFE LINE commentary brochures which speech

writers may use to great advantage, grading these 1, 2, 3, 4 and no, as to their possibilities. Regardless of their merit, I have not given them a favorable rating or given them a no rating if I think in the net they would lose delegates who are needed. If desired, I will mark other brochures and beyond Brochure No. 3, to date, there are typed transcripts on the same subjects vouched in the best language which could be worked out.

There are many of the things that LBJ should espouse about which he has been wrong in the past. He will be accosted with his past record. This will not be fatal and need not even be harmful. The publicity which will come from it will more than offset any appearance of inconsistency. He can make much of some good answers such as: "I have become more mature." (This is ammunition against the immaturity of K.) "I would be unwise indeed if I would not have learned to detect past mistakes in my 20 years of service in Washington." "Some things which seemed worth going along with at the time and appeared to involve my loyalty now stand out as dangerous to national survival."

A series of these answers will show him to be a truly great statesman.

People may tire of hearing about Communists and when he speaks of them, another name or term may often be used, such as "enemies of Freedom," "unsophisticated to danger," "the Mistaken", etc.,

As to this technique, please recall that Khrushchev became powerful with his repudiation of Stalin, although he had carried out a large part of the direct deeds of Stalin. Again to emphasize, LBJ must talk and be talked about.

There are two letters in this morning's Dallas News, one for him and one against. This is salutary, for it builds up the personality of a great moderate, and if LBJ is highly constructive, a very large part of the public will arrive at the correct answer and evaluation.

5/17/60

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I called Eddie Barrett, a casual friend whom I met through a close friend. He spent 10 days at our Palette lodge and ranch, Cody, Wyoming, a few years ago.

He and his wife gave Mrs. Hunt a very fine toy French poodle.

He was Secretary of State of Illinois for years, and in 1952, when Stevenson lost by more than 500,000 votes, he lost by only about 6 or 8 thousand.

I did not know his religion (don't now) and did not put any words in his mouth. I promptly asked who he favored for the Democratic nomination. He replied, "I can tell you who I will vote for", as though he was a delegate, but I did not pin down that he was. He said, "I am for Johnson," and then divulged some information about the delegation and the Illinois situation.

He said:

"20 for Symington; Stevenson can get none."

"Kennedy's father is a personal friend of the Mayor."

"Did not know how many Kennedy would get."

"Avery is not a great power."

"Johnson came through here, but no work has been done, and there should be work done."

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Nixon must be campaigned against. Skillful campaigning against Nixon could have the public thinking of another fair-haired immature figure in public life as a man to be avoided in making great decisions.

He cannot be successfully campaigned against, but can be ignored and everyone else who had anything to do with his said deplorable mistakes can be. Someone said a few days ago that young K's office was a nest of the Mistaken. Nixon has shown his lack of constancy and ingratitude when he reprimanded Governor Powell, his campaign manager, when he charged Nixon with softness toward Communism. It was Bridges and Powell who in 1956 started the ball-rolling for Nixon, which prevented Ike from dumping him.

Nixon can be referred to as the "annointed" and young K can lightly be shown as an "heir." They can be connected quite closely while a speaker is speaking only of Nixon. The liberal-minded can be gently refreshed that K's father became an outcast in FDR's sight. If not LBJ, someone else can stir these memories. This can be done in the form of eulogizing FDR, who carried on in spite of those who failed him when he entrusted them with great responsibilities and honor, while they took advantage of their position he had given them to build a personal fortune to be passed on to their posterity.

I believe (maybe not) that LBJ can become the natural champion of congressional committees and decry the attempt of students and agitators to illegally interfere with the conduct of their sworn duties. If the students can be decried in another part of the talk, young K can be referred to as a bright product of the present-day colleges.

I have marked some spots in LIFE LINE commentary brochures which speech

writers may use to great advantage, grading these 1, 2, 3, 4 and no, as to their possibilities. Regardless of their merit, I have not given them a favorable rating or given them a no rating if I think in the net they would loose delegates who are needed. If desired, I will mark other brochures and beyond Brochure No. 8, to date, there are typed transcripts on the same subjects vouched in the best language which could be worked out.

There are many of the things that LBJ should espouse about which he has been wrong in the past. He will be accosted with his past record. This will not be fatal and need not even be harmful. The publicity which will come from it will more than offset any appearance of inconsistency. He can make much of some good answers such as: "I have become more mature." (This is ammunition against the immaturity of K.) "I would be unwise indeed if I would not have learned to detect past mistakes in my 20 years of service in Washington." "Some things which seemed worth going along with at the time and appeared to involve my loyalty now stand out as dangerous to national survival."

A series of these answers will show him to be a truly great statesman.

People may tire of hearing about Communists and when he speaks of them, another name or term may often be used, such as "enemies of Freedom," "unsophisticated to danger," "the Mistaken", etc.,

As to this technique, please recall that Khrushchev became powerful with his repudiation of Stalin, although he had carried out a large part of the direct deeds of Stalin. Again to emphasize, LBJ must talk and be talked about.

There are two letters in this morning's Dallas News, one for him and one against. This is salutary, for it builds up the personality of a great moderate, and if LBJ is highly constructive, a very large part of the public will arrive at the correct answer and evaluation.

5/17/60

MEMO

I called Eddie Barrett, a casual friend whom I met through a close friend. He spent 10 days at our Palette lodge and ranch, Cody, Wyoming, a few years ago.

He and his wife gave Mrs. Hunt a very fine toy French poodle.

He was Secretary of State of Illinois for years, and in 1952, when Stevenson lost by more than 500,000 votes, he lost by only about 6 or 8 thousand.

I did not know his religion (don't now) and did not put any words in his mouth. I promptly asked who he favored for the Democratic nomination. He replied, "I can tell you who I will vote for", as though he was a delegate, but I did not pin down that he was. He said, "I am for Johnson," and then divulged some information about the delegation and the Illinois situation.

He said:

"20 for Symington; Stevenson can get none."

"Kennedy's father is a personal friend of the Mayor."

"Did not know how many Kennedy would get."

"Avery is not a great power."

"Johnson came through here, but no work has been done, and there should be work done."

"Call me if you want me to do anything."

"Johnson should announce a good 4 point program and get before the people."

"Would Mrs. Hunt and myself come to Chicago and he and Jeannie would come downtown and have dinner with us."

I just called ~~Barrett~~ at Palm Springs, California; and told him about talking with Eddie Barrett. ~~Barrett~~ had not made up his mind. He is a close friend of Frank McCall and Frank McKinney, both strong Catholics. He will call them and find out where they stand. Frank McKinney has hopes of becoming Secretary of the Treasury. He wanted McCall to phone, but I asked him not to until I had talked to Washington.

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June 21, 1960

M E M O

Foreign affairs and foreign policy, coupled with defense, are much greater than the other problems. The Senator should be heard on the subject and is nearly forced to express a great familiarity with the problem, to compete with the U.S. News and World Report write-up, June 27, Page 64, on Kennedy.

Kennedy's 12 points seem to me a very blithe recital without any realistic program to put in effect the moves he suggests and, very important, without any limitations to the moves.

A great deal of attention could come from calling for a correction of the nearly universally used expression "tensions." Everyone except the extremely deluded knows that we are not threatening to do or trying to do anything adverse to the rest of the world, but still we use the expression "tensions" as though it were a two-way street. Instead of "tensions", let us talk about the dictators, threats, bluffs and attempts to create incidents and intimidate, and call them the "threats of the enemy." The Senator can ask for realistic and workable plans to promote the cause of Freedom throughout the world.

He can declare to keep out of as many tangling alliances as possible. He can talk about a strength at home which will demand the respect of the world abroad.

He might suggest a foreign policy that would tend toward permitting Russia and China to fight their problems out with each other.

I know that he should decry attempts to hire or bribe others to extend us friendship.

He could call for an institute which would furnish small nations ideas, plans and assistance to develop governmental processes whereby they could successfully govern themselves. I know that I will be thought unduly modest, but I would suggest that the Senator foreign policy advisors study ALPACA. They might find 2 or 3 measures in it which they could reason out in advance to be a scoop.

I enclose a copy of the material which we are reproducing by type-writing on both sides of 2 sheets and also a printed piece which is both sides on one sheet only.

There is really nothing sillier than foreign domestic aid as it has been administered. I believe the Senator can say in substance "In view of recent developments, the foreign aid program which has been going on for so long and in which I have assisted the Executive Department to some extent must be critically re-evaluated. I will recommend at the present time that a reduction of \$500,000,000 be made in the foreign aid appropriation we have been considering, etc."

Even a call for \$250,000,000 reduction would attract national publicity and I would guess that the response will be more than 80% favorable.

MEMO

June 21, 1960

Mrs. Frances Jennings, who is the greatest anti-communist authority I have ever known, called me that she was in a law office here and a client came in from New York.

She overheard the client telling the lawyer that he had sat in on conferences in New York and Pat Brown, Minor, DeSapio agreed with each other that if Kennedy was not nominated on the second ballot that they were going in force to Johnson.

She was under the impression that they were not expecting a nomination by the second ballot.

She was not telling me this to impress me as she is very strong against Johnson and told Mrs. Edwards before I went on the line that the news she had made her sick, even though it would fall in the class of rumor.

June 23, 1960

M E M O

I can not read 1/10 of what comes to me. I don't see how the Senator can read any of the things reaching him.

Yesterday's statement on foreign policy was great except that he suggested that his constructive measures be put through the U.N. He disregards that the U.N. is set up and functioning for the purpose of destroying us. In addition, I doubt if it is 50-50 popular with the people today. We must soon find some way to get out of the U.N. It would be better to call for the U.S. to set up a peace drive.

The Times-Herald did not give the article a Johnson headline, and ran it in only one edition; the Dallas News did not run it. I will call Stanley Marcus and Ben Wooten about this.

The time is so short and the cause so desperate that the Senator must be quoted every day, so he must say something every day that will appear in the papers, right or wrong, and it will be better if it is right. We know of many things which are right and are 80% or more popular.

I enclose three pages of a letter from a Jew who is positive the Jews will take over the Free World. He is about the smartest person I have ever known, and would be wonderful if he could keep from being a crank on his subject.

It may have sounded bad if the Senator did not vouch for the loyalty of Herter and the State Department. It may have been necessary that he do it, even though it was wrong.

Kennedy was 6 to 5 favorite last Saturday, 1 to 1 Monday, then went to 7 to 5 and was 8 to 5 this morning in Vegas, with a statement that he would go to 2 to 1 by tomorrow.

Mr. W. has just furnished me a fine mailing list of prominent people he talked to in the West and in the South. We are sending them reproductions.

Tevie Morrow had a letter in the Dallas News which was edited and perhaps improved, and I had one in this afternoon's Herald which went to 300 papers. It may be wise and may be bad. I am sure the Texas papers will be flooded with letters on this subject as a result of the stimulation we have given.

An article in this morning's News, "Aggressive, Even Bitter, Note Seen in Johnson's Campaign" by James Reston, Section 4, Page 14, was very unfavorable to the Senator.

June 24, 1963

MEMO

In talking to Mr. L. W. Harringer in Memphis, I was made aware of the situation that relatively small people are trying to fill the assignment of talking to some of the most important people in the country.

It would help solve this if the Senator could make himself available to talk over the phone to the most important ones from now until adjournment. There are so many of them that feel like they are not getting anywhere unless they are talking to the TOP MAN. I don't know how this can be done, but apparently the Presidency is at stake.

I am sure nearly everyone will say it is impractical, but if necessary for the Senator to be free, Congress could be recessed and meet for a 10 day period following the convention.

I must regard all of the pending legislation as unimportant. If it fails of passage and should be passed, Congress would be again in session within six months and everyone in the U.S. would know better than if the bills should be passed.

June 24, 1960

MEMO

Eddie Barrett at Chicago is helping; complains not enough is being done, says the Senator must spend beyond the Civil Rights bill his position favoring the colored. Barrett has the acquaintanceship, popularity and know-how and should be put to work and kept busy.

William Loeb writes: "Received reproductions Human Events. Will send them around where they will do some good. If you Texans don't save the nation by seeing that Lyndon Johnson beats Kennedy for the nomination we are going to be in one hell of a mess. I would be very sorry if Jack Kennedy got the nomination and Nixon could not beat him. Kennedy is really no good."

The Senator is doing better, but must talk a great deal more. His advisors should keep ~~anti~~-anti-Communist critic by their warm side. B.M. does not thoroughly understand the Communist menace but could give invaluable advice as to what to talk about.

The Senator should not depend too much on members of Congress and should not get in the news at this time as being a tyrant over them. The session should be ended July 2 and must be ended by July 5. There are a vast number of critics to nearly all of the proposed legislation. Those who favor it will give credit to Ike who is playing golf and Kennedy who is having a good time running around attempting to collect stray delegates.

In the Dallas telephone directory, there are about 2500 Johnsons, which is slightly less than 1% of the names. The Johnsons are an invaluable mailing list. It would mean a great deal to everyone of them for a Johnson to be President of the U.S. The Johnsons of nine Colorado cities are being mailed 4 U.S. News & W.P. excerpts and one Human Events. 25¢ a page containing 120 listings will pay for a photocopy from the library. A service will address envelopes 15¢ per thousand, and stuff and meter for about \$5.00 per thousand. Plain envelopes are being used. Each Johnson receiving them will promptly see the word Johnson when opening them, and many of the Johnsons will cause 15 or 20 people to read each one of the enclosures. It may seem so very late to do anything like this, but in the event of balloting, the delegates at Los Angeles will be hearing from home. A ground swell is effective whenever it happens. This mailing to Colorado will cost about \$70.00 per thousand and if 5,000 are reached, this is the cost of a round trip air flight of about 1200 miles.

The U.S. News & W.P. gets Johnson away from Texas, shows him to be a Washington D. C., figure and a public affairs in all phases figure. It reveals to the general public a picture which they do not have. The weakness of the 43 page booklet is that it told only what everyone knows - he was from Texas (bad), was in the war, does not discriminate against color and race, commended by some publications, was highly regarded by colleagues, etc.

Letters to the Editor should be got underway right away. There can be enough more of the U.S. News printed fast enough to cover the Northern and Western states.

Protestant preachers mailing lists could be a real good one. Nearly all of them are apprehensive about a Catholic in the White House and their members will pay lots of attention to them.

Richard K. Mellon, Chairman of the Board of the Mellon Bank in Pittsburgh, is a Republican who will work effectively for the Senator.

June 27, 1960

Material for a talk or statement which, in effect, can be made today, tomorrow or the next day. It is planned to keep the Governor Williams attack from becoming a closed matter. He is a roundly discredited Democrat and Reuther can become shaky or uneasy of affiliation with Williams.

Menon Williams' swan song for Governor of the bankrupt State of Michigan takes the form of an attack on me delivered at the Governor's Conference at Glacier National Park.

I am willing to engage in discussions with the distinguished Senator from Massachusetts, but it is an unusual approach that one of his camp followers makes these irresponsible charges; particularly one who is aiming for second place on a democratic ticket headed by Senator Kennedy.

I regret Soapy has never liked my policies or my record. If Soapy thinks he is making any headway toward the Vice-Presidency by jumping on me, he is welcome to do so. If he can make political capital out of an attack on my record and my integrity I, for one, feel that he is entitled to whatever gains will accrue to him on that score.

I think he is making a mistake; for I believe the Democratic Party is looking for responsibility in leadership instead of the whims of boys rich in inherited wealth for the grave times which lie ahead of which we are all aware.

In these pressing times, I shall give careful consideration to whatever Governor Williams or Senator Kennedy have to say, whether they choose to say it first-hand or second-hand. In the American tradition, the governor of a once great state is entitled to make his views known.

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June 29, 1960

N E M O

I doubt if there are delegate votes to be made nor prestige for the Democratic Party to be achieved by continuing the session. There are great chances to pick up delegates by ending it. The voting in the rural area in North Dakota seems to call for an agricultural plan. The senator should declare for the best one he can conceive.

Just talked to Wilber Clark in Las Vegas and learned the betting price for Kennedy getting the nomination was holding steady. Those wishing to bet on Kennedy can give 11 to 5. Those wishing to bet against him get 9 for 5, which is a natural 2 to 1 the same as a week ago.

Four copies of the Johnson Family article and one copy of US News and World Report excerpts were mailed airmail from Albert Sidney Johnson to about 400 newspapers.

A mailing containing 2 Johnson pieces, 2 US News and 1 Human Events is sent from Albert Sidney Johnson, Maj. Gen. (Ret.), 820 Republic Bank Bldg., Dallas, Texas, starting this afternoon to Wyo., Utah, Nev., Idaho, Ariz., Ore., N.J., Ind., Ala., N.D., S.D., Neb., and Ill. Already covered is Colo., and Montana. This is to be all Johnsons.

There were serious handicaps at Helena, Montana. Murry's son had little influence since Sen. Murrey was retiring. Sen. Mansfield was seriously criticized by over-ardent Catholics. There was disappointment that Sen. Johnson had been announced and did not come. R.N. said Kennedy got eight; two of whom are labor leaders -- the other nine being divided about half-and-half between Johnson and Symington.

The publicity which can be built for the Senator is little compared with what he could have if he would make statements regarding matters of great interest. If he will say something, he will make the front page every day and this is what is needed.

R.N. just called me and said Sen. Mansfield claimed the delegation was split three ways - five each with two uncommitted. He has made a pretty fair start on what he was asked to do and is going to Chicago tomorrow which will take him all day.

I have now heard the session will be recessed Friday and reconvened in August, which is a fine idea. Also, I hear that Truman has announced he will not go to the Convention, which may be withdrawing his support from Symington. This is probably bad.

c - Johnson Family art.

June 29, 1960

Speaker Sam Rayburn
The Speakers' Office in the Capitol Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Speaker Rayburn:

I have been writing some memos, which Booth Mooney thinks have merit, and he suggested I send some of my recent memos to you.

The campaign for Senator Johnson has been handicapped, first, by his reluctance to admit he wanted the Presidency and, now, by his failure to make statements about consequential matters, which will be repeated. He is not so widely known as would be supposed, and he needs publicity. He can command the front page of nearly every paper, if he will say anything newsworthy enough for repeating.

A Presidential campaign comes only every four years, and I am sure the people are disappointed if there is no fireworks. I thought Governor Williams' attacking the Senator a golden opportunity, and I am sure it should not be permitted to die.

I hope that you or some of your staff will have time to scan through these and find something which will cause you to use your influence to get the Senator to talk.

Best Wishes.

Sincerely,

H. L. Hunt

HLH:alg
Enclosures

Johnson

June 30, 1960

M E M O

The Senator has this campaign yet to win. He has depended too much on members of Congress. He makes a fine impression wherever he shows up, but is inclined to say nothing of consequence. Mr. Tuttle heard him speak in Denver early and said he made a poor impression because he did not say anything. He has been sadly handicapped as being unannounced.

I believe that it is impossible to "moderate" with the public, although it is very workable to compromise and moderate in the Senate.

There is no allure in being a middle-of-the-roader. It creates no "color." Ike has called himself a middle-of-the-roader, but has been an extreme to the left as it is possible to go except at times he has talked for some economies.

Ike does not make a good comparison because his charm is not his dealing with issues. The public has been mesmerized with his grin, mannerisms and apparent down-to-earth qualities.

It is necessary that the Senator make a headline every day until the balloting is over.

He supported limiting the President's treaty-making power, so he can easily turn himself upon the misuses which are inflicted and make good material with this.

It is big that a prospect for President would be talking about renouncing this power. It is big that he would favor sending a constitutional amendment to the Legislature which in turn is to the people. Few of them would ever realize that the limitation would not apply to the Senator if he were the incumbent President.

A farm program, good or bad, is an absolute must; and does not have to be finished in any one day. It would probably be more effective if discussed briefly several continuous days.

Protecting the rights of labor to jobs in the United States might be a workable issue to discuss and it might not be.

Reforming the Status of Forces Treaty could not offend more than 10%, and the 10% may be largely of the armed forces officers and their close friends.

It may be that Governor Meyner, Lawrence, Brown and some others could be imbued with the idea that they would have a chance for the nomination in a deadlocked convention. Going a long way back, Garfield did not get more than 8 votes until a great many ballots had been taken. Someone might successfully put this bug in the ear of each one of them if this is what is required to hold the Kennedy bandwagon in check.

Any suggestion of the second spot for the Senator should be met with reason rather than the usual statements.

No one in their right mind could give up the Senate leadership for the Vice-Presidency.

The capital that could have been made from the Cuban situation might not now apply since the oil seizure is involved, but all of the Western hemisphere is still open.

M E M O

7/12/60 9:30 a.m.

Senator - -

Mr. Hunt believes strongly that if we do not get the top place you should seriously consider taking the Vice Presidential nomination. His reasons are as follows:

1. The Democratic Party has no chance of winning unless you are on the ticket.
2. The dire state of the Nation in its present danger makes it imperative that we must have the strongest men as near the top as they can be placed.
3. You would name your successor as Majority Leader and would be present at some of the Senate sessions as presiding officer.
4. You could use your working relationships with Senators Eastland, Styles Bridges and Talmadge as a constant source of reliable information to the Executive Department about Communistic plans and activities.
5. You would not be the "usual" Vice President, because with your standing in the Senate, as long as Mr. Rayburn lives you would be in complete control of Congress.

PLEASE NOTE

The Kennedy people have been very active in seeking an audience with Mr. Hunt. He has not seen them as yet and has no plans to do so unless you ask him to, but he is in a position to get word to them about anything you might have in mind.

Later - - Since writing the above, Mr. Sarge Shriver arrived at Hunt's room - unannounced - and in the course of their conversation he wondered if there was any possibility that you would accept the Vice Presidential nomination in case Senator Kennedy is nominated for President. He told him he was not in position to say, but would be happy to hear from them when they had anything definite to say.

Booth Mooney

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April 15, 1960

Dear Lyndon:

I am convinced you must in clear fashion
announce your availability for the nomination. ✓

At the risk of seeming presumptuous,
I am attaching hereto a suggestion for a statement
that would do just that, without quite throwing you
into the dog fight that is now going on.

Sincerely,

WHK:B
encl.

W. H. Kittrell

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson,
Majority Leader, U. S. Senate
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

(Walter, I hope you will get this to Lyndon's attention).

Many of my friends who know that the contest for the Democratic nomination for President interests me very much, have urged me to announce my candidacy for that high honor.

Up to now, I have been unable to reconcile such action with the responsibility I bear as Senate Leader. The post of Majority Leader of the United States Senate in this epochal year of 1960 is one of grave responsibility in connection with legislation of vast importance, which it is my responsibility as Senate Leader to guide and shepherd to wise and final enactment.

Were I to enter this contest, which already occupies the time of three or more of my able colleagues, I would have to neglect the responsibilities that I sought and assumed.

When I refer to the Senators seeking the Democratic nomination as my able colleagues, I am not just showing them the traditional senatorial courtesy. They are able, brilliant, dedicated public servants.

My responsibilities to them and to the rest of the 100 members of the Senate require me to exhibit that same dedication in my present post.

In the good book, we find the parable of the Talents, in which the Master said to a man who had wisely and diligently performed his duty, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Thou hast been faithful over a little, I will make thee ruler over many things" (ten cities).

If the Delegates to the Democratic convention in Los Angeles, moved by such a spirit, were to offer me the nomination for the Presidency of the United States, I should gratefully and humbly accept it, and I would earnestly seek to win the election and to worthily fulfill the duties that devolve on the Chief Executive of the greatest nation on earth.

April 27, 1960

Senator Lyndon Johnson
Capitol Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

I am so high on your ability that when I see what I feel to be a bad statement I think in terms of it being a mis-quote, but I am taking the liberty of pointing out some that I have read.

Dick West in a column favorable to you quotes you as displaying an electro-cardiogram. It would be a mistake for you to do so, as your heart attack will not be an issue unless you succeed in making it one and if you do it will be costly. Your vast capacity for working and getting things done discount the heart condition completely.

Other people can say you are a great "moderate". This you cannot successfully say of yourself. You cannot make any hay from posing as a "middle-of-the-roader". You can be both a moderate and a middle-of-the-roader but it should be in other people's estimation. The middle-of-the-roader stands for nothing and Wayne Morse, Paul Douglas, Barry Goldwater and Bruce Alger have proven that there is popularity in taking a stand. This may not be so workable prior to the Convention.

Dewey took a repeated and arduous stand for unity, riding it all the way to a seemingly-impossible defeat. Kennedy has made a disastrous issue out of religious tolerance and you should make no particular effort to bail him out for you will inherit part of his disaster in trying to do so. You should not make an issue out of "regional residence" and particularly you should not tie the "bigotry" and "regional issues" together, for in doing so you inherit part of the mistake Kennedy has made. The public is inclined to look upon you as a Washington figure and if you do not press it upon them they are not going to be bothered much about whether your reach is a Southern or a Western ranch. Needless to say you should get away from emphasizing "Texas". Texans, as such, are not popular; a Texan is resented throughout the World as well as throughout the U. S.

"Did not like extremes either way; ADA or KKK" This is a bad mistake. Nearly anyone can be thought to have been a former KKK such as Senator Robert Byrd and Justice Hugo Black.

Any one can be claimed by someone extreme liberal

Lyndon Johnson
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April 27, 1960

You do want and need both the "odd balls" who are ultra-conservative and the DOT's who are over-liberal, instead of declaring rejection of them. I think your stock reply should be some form of "I find that many who others with opposing views do not like are capable of great teamwork when called upon for their country's welfare". If you are correctly quoted in declaring against them you are drastically wrong.

Regarding the "better deal", I believe the public is tired of "deals".

I still think that wise-cracking does not produce a good effect unless it is in very light fun.

I may be wrong about 95% of this and still the other 5% be of some use to you.

Since the public wants to hear from you it would be wonderful if you were to arrive at some issues which are very very right and 85% or more popular. LIFE LINE takes some polls which might furnish a cue to such issues. I must think of restoring the Constitutional right of men in the armed services abroad and limiting the President's treaty making power. There is something big about the latter coming from a man who has a good chance of becoming President.

I heard that Talmadge was not going to the Convention. I called him since starting this letter and he said that was true. I told him he might be needed badly and he replied "I can get there quick if the situation arises".

Sincerely,

H. L. Hunt

cc: Mr. Robert Kennedy
Mr. Walter Jenkins

April 23, 1960

Senator Lyndon Johnson
Capitol Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

I failed to mention yesterday that in calling for cooperation with Russia in disease prevention, etc., you are in some danger of being quoted for "co-existence."

As to "Unity", I am reminded of Dewey's opening campaign speech at Des Moines in the election 12 years ago. At the conclusion of the radio broadcast of the address, I turned to 3 friends in the hotel room and said, "If this is his idea of a Presidential campaign and he carries on through with the Unity theme, he can even throw away this election." I saw Joe Fox the next morning in Philadelphia and, when he told me it was a great talk, I gave him the same opinion. Dewey, who was a truly great orator, could make the "shoulder to shoulder" and "Unity" sound much better than you can hope to make it sound.

I feel that you should be "FOR" some things. This may require that you do a little research and also get some of your good friends like Senator Robert Byrd to "trial balloon" some subjects.

Please recall that FDR was first elected on an economy, States' Rights, as well as repeal, platform. I believe that the first 2 are o.k. today. You would be for something and who could object? Each state is a social laboratory for its own people.

You could present a constructive foreign policy to deal with Cuba. You could review the sacrifices we have made in Korea and a plan to help them to adopt a government with plans which would enable them to govern themselves. From General Van Fleet and no doubt others you can learn that there are few people in Viet Nam, and the hundreds of millions per year we are throwing away there will simply be absorbed by Communists who are coming in to fill up the empty country and become the residents of Viet Nam. You can find out if the same is not true of Laos. Your State Department should assist in planning a workable government for Formosa. You could promise a State Department that would handle all of Latin America realistically and efficiently. You could dedicate yourself to peace with honor and dignity. I think that you could re-affirm the Monroe Doctrine.

Today was simply the first of the Roosevelts. You might declare a "big stick and soft voice" policy adjusted to space and the nuclear age.

Senator Lyndon Johnson

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April 28, 1960

I heard you speak to fine advantage at the Plaza Hotel in New York, but you asked American businessmen to roll up their sleeves and become greater in world commerce. You can acquaint yourself with the total lack of standing of American investments abroad and pledge that you will correct that deplorable situation. You can ask for a reduction in income taxes - always a popular issue. It may be you could declare for a 1 1/2% per year reduction in the national debt, and maybe you cannot.

You can appeal to rank and file labor directly by pledging a national economy which will not drive U.S. manufacturing to foreign lands where American labor does not wish to work and live.

The President of Notre Dame came to see me two days ago. He had returned from a few weeks in Africa and said the Soviets were putting out 8,000 scholarships for the top students in Africa to study in the Soviet Universities. You could investigate this - not quote Father Hesburgh - and advance a plan for 10,000 scholarships to be granted in Africa for students to attend colleges in the U.S., where they will be taught the virtue of the profit motive and personal enterprise systems. I estimate the cost of the Soviet plan to them to be 16 to 24 million dollars a year, and at this expense they will take over an entire continent. Your plan would probably cost our government 40 million dollars a year and we throw away that much in foreign aid to some little nation the name of which few of us have ever heard.

Your appeal to rank and file union labor or locals can be vouched in such a way it will not make Reuther and Hoffa any meaner, but instead will soften them for a deal if you have to have them. It will also undermine Mrs. FDR and Congressman Roosevelt.

I think, but do not know, that you could defend the Congressional investigating committees and the FBI. Certainly you can after the nomination.

I trust that some of this will be worth something. I was interrupted with a call from Ed Maher, an outstanding Catholic layman. He is as strongly against Kennedy as anyone in the country, complaining to me that Kennedy is willing to promise anything.

Again, leave Texas as much in the background as possible. It is much worse than being from the South. Recall that the Democrats willingly nominated a Vice Presidential candidate from Alabama and from Tennessee for the last two national elections.

Sincerely,

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April 15, 1960

Dear Lyndon:

I am convinced you must in clear fashion
announce your availability for the nomination. ✓

At the risk of seeming presumptuous,
I am attaching hereto a suggestion for a statement
that would do just that, without quite throwing you
into the dog fight that is now going on.

Sincerely,

WIK:B
encl.

W. H. Kittrell

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson,
Majority Leader, U. S. Senate
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

(Walter, I hope you will get this to Lyndon's attention).

Many of my friends who know that the contest for the Democratic nomination for President interests me very much, have urged me to announce my candidacy for that high honor.

Up to now, I have been unable to reconcile such action with the responsibility I bear as Senate Leader. The post of Majority Leader of the United States Senate in this epochal year of 1960 is one of grave responsibility in connection with legislation of vast importance, which it is my responsibility as Senate Leader to guide and shepherd to wise and final enactment.

Were I to enter this contest, which already occupies the time of three or more of my able colleagues, I would have to neglect the responsibilities that I sought and assumed.

When I refer to the Senators seeking the Democratic nomination as my able colleagues, I am not just showing them the traditional senatorial courtesy. They are able, brilliant, dedicated public servants.

My responsibilities to them and to the rest of the 100 members of the Senate require me to exhibit that same dedication in my present post.

In the good book, we find the parable of the Talents, in which the Master said to a man who had wisely and diligently performed his duty, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant. Thou hast been faithful over a little, I will make thee ruler over many things" (ten cities).

If the Delegates to the Democratic convention in Los Angeles, moved by such a spirit, were to offer me the nomination for the Presidency of the United States, I should gratefully and humbly accept it, and I would earnestly seek to win the election and to worthily fulfill the duties that devolve on the Chief Executive of the greatest nation on earth.

April 27, 1960

Senator Lyndon Johnson
Capitol Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

I am so high on your ability that when I see what I feel to be a bad statement I think in terms of it being a mis-quote, but I am taking the liberty of pointing out some that I have read.

Dick West in a column favorable to you quotes you as displaying an electro-cardiogram. It would be a mistake for you to do so, as your heart attack will not be an issue unless you succeed in making it one and if you do it will be costly. Your vast capacity for working and getting things done discount the heart condition completely.

Other people can say you are a great "moderate". This you cannot successfully say of yourself. You cannot make any hay from posing as a "middle-of-the-roader". You can be both a moderate and a middle-of-the-roader but it should be in other people's estimation. The middle-of-the-roader stands for nothing and Wayne Morse, Paul Douglas, Barry Goldwater and Bruce Alger have proven that there is popularity in taking a stand. This may not be so workable prior to the Convention.

Dewey took a repeated and arduous stand for unity, riding it all the way to a seemingly impossible defeat. Kennedy has made a disastrous issue out of religious tolerance and you should make no particular effort to bail him out for you will inherit part of his disaster in trying to do so. You should not make an issue out of "regional residence" and particularly you should not tie the "bigotry" and "regional issues" together, for in doing so you inherit part of the mistake Kennedy has made. The public is inclined to look upon you as a Washington figure and if you do not press it upon them they are not going to be bothered much about whether your ranch is a Southern or a Western ranch. Needless to say you should get away from emphasizing "Texas". Texans, as such, are not popular; a Texan is resented throughout the World as well as throughout the U. S.

"Did not like extremes either way; ADA or KKK" This is a bad mistake. Nearly anyone can be thought to have been a former KKK such as Senator Robert Byrd and Justice Hugo Black.

Any one can be classed by someone extreme liberal

Lyndon Johnson

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April 27, 1968

You do want and need both the "odd balls" who are ultra-conservative and the DOT's who are over-liberal, instead of declaring rejection of them. I think your stock reply should be some form of "I find that many who others with opposing views do not like are capable of great teamwork when called upon for their country's welfare". If you are correctly quoted in declaring against them you are drastically wrong.

Regarding the "better deal", I believe the public is tired of "deals".

I still think that wise-cracking does not produce a good effect unless it is in very light fun.

I may be wrong about 95% of this and still the other 5% be of some use to you.

Since the public wants to hear from you it would be wonderful if you were to arrive at some issues which are very very right and 85% or more popular. LIFE LINE takes some polls which might furnish a cue to such issues. I must think of restoring the Constitutional right of men in the armed services abroad and limiting the President's treaty making power. There is something big about the latter coming from a man who has a good chance of becoming President.

I heard that Talmadge was not going to the Convention. I called him since starting this letter and he said that was true. I told him he might be needed badly and he replied "I can get there quick if the situation arises".

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H. L. Hunt

HLH/jc

cc: Mr. Booth Mooney
Mr. Walter Jenkins

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Capitol Building
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Dear Senator Johnson:

I failed to mention yesterday that in calling for cooperation with Russia in disease prevention, etc., you are in some danger of being quoted for "co-existence."

As to "Unity", I am reminded of Dewey's opening campaign speech at Des Moines in the election 12 years ago. At the conclusion of the radio broadcast of the address, I turned to 3 friends in the hotel room and said, "If this is his idea of a Presidential campaign and he carries on through with the Unity theme, he can even throw away this election." I saw Joe Fox the next morning in Philadelphia and, when he told me it was a great talk, I gave him the same opinion. Dewey, who was a truly great orator, could make the "shoulder to shoulder" and "Unity" sound much better than you can hope to make it sound.

I feel that you should be "FOR" some things. This may require that you do a little research and also get some of your good friends like Senator Robert Byrd to "trial balloon" some subjects.

Please recall that FDR was first elected on an economy, States' Rights, as well as repeal, platform. I believe that the first 2 are o.k. today. You would be for something and who could object? Each state is a social laboratory for its own people.

You could present a constructive foreign policy to deal with Cuba. You could review the sacrifices we have made in Korea and a plan to help them to adopt a government with plans which would enable them to govern themselves. From General Von Fleet and no doubt others you can learn that there are few people in Viet Nam, and the hundreds of millions per year we are throwing away there will simply be absorbed by Communists who are coming in to fill up the empty country and become the residents of Viet Nam. You can find out if the same is not true of Laos. Your State Department should assist in planning a workable government for Formosa. You could promise a State Department that would handle all of Latin America realistically and efficiently. You could dedicate yourself to peace with honor and dignity. I think that you could re-affirm the Monroe Doctrine.

Teddy was simply the first of the Roosevelts. You might declare a "big stick and soft voice" policy adjusted to space and the nuclear age.

Senator Lyndon Johnson

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April 28, 1960

I heard you speak to fine advantage at the Plaza Hotel in New York, but you asked American businessmen to roll up their sleeves and become greater in world commerce. You can acquaint yourself with the total lack of standing of American investments abroad and pledge that you will correct that deplorable situation. You can ask for a reduction in income taxes - always a popular issue. It may be you could declare for a 1 1/2% per year reduction in the national debt, and maybe you cannot.

You can appeal to rank and file labor directly by pledging a national economy which will not drive U.S. manufacturing to foreign lands where American labor does not wish to work and live.

The President of Notre Dame came to see me two days ago. He had returned from a few weeks in Africa and said the Soviets were putting out 8,000 scholarships for the top students in Africa to study in the Soviet Universities. You could investigate this - not quote Father Hesburgh - and advance a plan for 10,000 scholarships to be granted in Africa for students to attend colleges in the U.S., where they will be taught the virtue of the profit motive and personal enterprise systems. I estimate the cost of the Soviet plan to them to be 16 to 24 million dollars a year, and at this expense they will take over an entire continent. Your plan would probably cost our government 40 million dollars a year and we throw away that much in foreign aid to some little nation the name of which few of us have ever heard.

Your appeal to rank and file union labor or locals can be vouched in such a way it will not make Reuther and Hoffa any meaner, but instead will soften them for a deal if you have to have them. It will also undermine Mrs. FDR and Congressman Roosevelt.

I think, but do not know, that you could defend the Congressional investigating committees and the FBI. Certainly you can after the nomination.

I trust that some of this will be worth something. I was interrupted with a call from Ed Maher, an outstanding Catholic layman. He is as strongly against Kennedy as anyone in the country, complaining to me that Kennedy is willing to promise anything.

Again, leave Texas as much in the background as possible. It is much worse than being from the South. Recall that the Democrats willingly nominated a Vice Presidential candidate from Alabama and from Tennessee for the last two national elections.

Sincerely,

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The White House
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File Johnson

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Senator James O. Eastland
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Enclosure

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Fort Worth Press regarding Jessup. I did not send
out the copies of the letter to the editor I sent
you today but it is going out from Pat Ray, Ada,
Oklahoma.

I don't know whether he is Democratic or
Republican but it occurs to me that Jesse Tapp,
Chairman of the Board of the Bank of America would
be the best Secretary of Commerce. I am under the
impression our gold situation is impossible and
with steel wages at \$9.40 an hour in Japan which is
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The White House
Washington, D. C.



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Correspondence

July 20, 1959

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

Bascom Timmons, in a recent column, pointed out the interest which was being created in debates between you and Senator Dirksen. This made me think of Stassen's campaign in 1948. He was in prospect of becoming the leading contender and he challenged the much more able speaker, Dewey, to a series of debates in Oregon prior to the primary which was the last one. Nationally, he lost a good deal of his following which he had accumulated and lost the primary in Oregon.

Senator Dirksen heads a small minority which cannot give you any particular trouble. The last time I heard him speak he was an extremely great orator. He carries some of Ike's 60% popularity. There are many democratic senators such as Senator Douglas who would be gratified in tangling with Dirksen and, in fact, would prefer taking on the assignment rather than watch you fulfill it. I think it would be the part of diplomacy to let a large part of the debate with Dirksen be handled by others.

Please note the Catholic endorsement for LIFE LINE.

With best wishes,

Constructively,

H. L. Hunt

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August 5, 1959

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

Beginning about six weeks ago, I thought I could detect the first Anti-Communist trend in the United States since shortly after Eisenhower went into office. If it exists, there is danger it will be killed off by the Nixon visits and the proposed interchange of visits.

Whenever the country is Anti-Communist, there can be some good campaign material in the form of mild criticism on the softness toward Communism of the Republican Administration. Eisenhower's Administration has been much softer toward Communism than either of the two previous administrations. Ike knows nothing, and he has been dominated by Dulles, the State Department, Sherman Adams and other close up pro-pinks. This also applies to his handling of the Armed Forces. Your information on this should come from someone who knows what they are talking about, which could include Senators Eastland, Bridges, Talmadge, Investigator Richard Arens, or any other highly qualified Anti-Communist upon whom you are willing to depend.

In proper and mild criticism, I can see nothing to be lost for the country nor for your future. If you think criticism is out of order, the espousal of constructive Anti-Communist steps will be fitting and, I am sure, will be well received. Who is there who can possibly make headway in defending the softness toward Communism? Stevenson is very weak in this respect with his attesting the character of Alger Hiss and subsequent action.

The Supreme Court is definitely unpopular with their friendly-toward-Communism decisions.

With best wishes,

Constructively,

H. L. Hunt*

HLH/dp

November 12, 1959

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Johnson City, Texas

Dear Senator Johnson:

I am sending you something from the Dallas News of November 12. If you are basing a campaign on "unity" I will guess that you are making votes about as fast as Governor Dewey did in the last two weeks of his campaign against President Truman.

I also send a Decatur, Texas, dispatch from the Dallas News.

I think the public will construe this that you are calling for unbalanced budgets and fiscal irresponsibilities.

There are many, many things which you could be talking about which are very, very right and vote-getting at the same time.

The status of forces treaty reform is 90% popular.

Limiting the president's treaty-making power is 75 $\frac{1}{2}$ % popular.

Calling for the State Department to hold Communism in check away from the Western Hemisphere shores would be popular. Criticizing the United Nations on the same score would be well received.

Lower taxes, less inflation and retiring the national debt all are 60 $\frac{1}{2}$ % popular.

Your most fertile field is a brand of statesmanship which others who are being talked about for the Democratic nomination do not possess.

I am sorry to write you such a poor letter, but my time is not adequate for me to write a good one.

With best wishes,

Constructively,

H. L. Hunt

HLH:jh
Enclosures

November 14, 1959

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

Following my letter of November 12, let me say that lower taxes is favored by 85+%; less inflation by 60+%; reducing the National Debt by 50+%.

I doubt if our freedom will be won or lost in "space". If Russia is ahead it is only because Ike rounded up better and more German scientists for them than were permitted to come to the Western Powers and the betrayal of the scientific knowledge to the Russians as fast as it was developed. Missiles are a potent weapon.

There are many things which the American people are going to want their statesmen to be "for" and aggressively for. I will guess that Booth Mooney now has a fine insight into what the people do and do not want.

I am not suggesting that you condemn racketeers in labor or communism in the church and education, although the time may come to make any one of these constructive steps. I am positive that a certain amount of anti-communism would be well received and you could trial balloon any of it. Herter in the pro-Communist State Department is not necessarily popular. Ike's attitude toward Communism may become a very vulnerable point.

Sincerely,

H. L. Hunt

HLH/je

January 30, 1960

Dear Senator Johnson:

The problem is to stay in the headlines in a favorable light and if you succeed in doing this it is unimportant that you may offend some liberals about issues on which you are right and have 70% or more of the American people hoping, wishing and praying along with you.

You have a headline on the front page this morning on a subject about which the public is vastly anxious and about which you may know very little. To properly evaluate the Allen Dulles testimony you must still place him in a class with John Foster Dulles and even Alger Hiss. He is no doubt a less able person than either of them.

I have in a call for General George C. Kenney, who, unless he has become senile, can tell you where we stand in the missile picture. Nearly any of the MacArthur generals could and would be helpful to you.

You cannot successfully differ with Ike, but you definitely can differ with the Crown Prince, the anointed, pointing out that little men are, without exception, a failure trying to follow in big footsteps. Nixon is truly not a popular figure and if you sound off against him you will promptly have help. The Democrats need for the man who gets the Democratic nomination to be someone who shows in advance that he is more than able to cope with "slick" Nixon.

As to what counts and being right, everyone was afraid to pass labor legislation until there was some leadership for it and then nearly everyone reached the point that they wanted effective labor legislation.

The issues on which you will get to the front before the American people must be carefully selected. It is no trouble to find which ones are right and which wrongs badly need to be corrected and for your purpose they should be issues on which 70% or more of the American people will be for you.

I will guess that 90% will approve the protection of the Connolly Reservation.

90% will approve the repudiation or correction of the Status of Forces Treaty.

80% will approve the National Debt being reduced $1\frac{1}{2}\%$ or more each year.

75% will approve curbing the Supreme Court from nullifying security measures against subversion.

90% will favor the U.S. continued control of the Panama Canal.

95% will approve an all-out stepping up of the missile program.

75% and perhaps 85% will approve "Limiting the President's Treaty Making Power" and you as a prospect to become President could really go to town on this.

In selecting these and any others in which you are interested, you have good friends, such as Eastland, Talmadge and McClellan who would "trial balloon" them for you with a view of your taking over if it appeared that you should. You can trial balloon one, two or three of them yourself and promptly back off if you find that you are running into a loss of delegates. Unity will not get the job done.

Again let me stress that you can differ with or attack Nixon. You cannot successfully attack Ike. If needed you could successfully attack Yarbrough, Morse and Proxmire and some of those.

In trying to reach General Kenney I reached Wedemeyer, who said that General John Maderis, just retired, would know more about the missile race than anyone else and Wedemeyer thought Maderis was a loyal American. Wedemeyer is such a kindly person that sometimes he will give someone credit for loyalty when they really belong on the other side.

Again, let me say, you must keep in the headlines and for issues that 70% or more of the American people are "for". Simply being agreeable will not get you the nomination. Booth Mooney and Senator Eastland are the best possible advisors in my opinion.

With best wishes,

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Gwen:

Some time ago you ask that we send
anything from H.L. Hunt addressed to
Mrs. Roberts to your office.

Marguerite

7/17

June 19, 1959

Senator Lyndon Johnson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

You may be going through a question period in your mind about your wisdom in the Strauss matter. I wish to give you my opinion since it seems to me that it would be hard for anyone who was stationed regularly in Washington to know the facts of life. When so near the forest it is so hard to see the trees, but in addition there are so many directions to hear from and there are so many colors that can be added. How then, can a central figure ever be sure.

I must think that Strauss should have been rejected. ✓ I know a David Teeple who lives in Washington who is an investigator. Teeple is an extreme Patriot and I think knows the score. During a party in Maryland, I commended Admiral Strauss for choosing Teeple as an assistant and Strauss was effusive in expressing his delight in learning my approval.

About four years ago, a friend of Teeple told me that he was resigning. I called Teeple urging him to stay on because he was in such a vital post and he replied that if I knew what was going on I would know that he should quit. I did not subsequently develop the particulars but I have always since felt that Strauss's loyalty was questionable. Certainly Strauss was right as he may have done anything toward getting Oppenheimer out.

Should you ever be in doubt about anything I recommend Senator Eastland for you as an advisor. I consider him most astute.

There must be a stronger brand of national loyalty in public life than at present if the U. S. is to survive.

I prefer there be no reply to this letter, which is true when I write about any delicate matter.

With best wishes,

Constructively,

H. L. Hunt



HLH/je

February 10, 1960

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

I enclose a letter which I happened across. They edited these as they please, but I think they do good.

Several of my real good friends think that you could ride the Connally Reservation right into the White House. They are real smart people. I also enclose a copy of a letter I am now writing.

I can't question but what it would be good for you to contact General George C. Kenney. He speaks all the time and carries weight. He can help you keep straight about the truth and falsity of nuclear and missile claims.

With best wishes,

Sincerely,

H. L. Hunt

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April 2, 1960

Mr. Walter Jenkins
c/o Senator Lyndon B. Johnson's Office
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Mr. Jenkins:

Mr. C. E. Tuttle, whose address is 2 East Read Street,
Baltimore, Maryland, will be in Baltimore by Monday or Tuesday.
I have just talked to him in Moab and he will be happy and help-
ful to see the Senator. He may elect to report to Booth. ✓

Sincerely,

H. L. Hunt

HLH/bc

April 7, 1960

Senator Lyndon B. Johnson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

It has come as somewhat of a shock to me that some people think that you would not accept the nomination. In talking to three different persons, they brought up the subject of the Wisconsin primary. When I told them, "Lyndon Johnson is by far the best man," they replied, in effect, "do you think he would accept the nomination?" When I said, "anyone would accept the nomination of either of the major parties," they stated, in effect, "I thought that having had that heart attack he would not be willing to undergo the grind."

I have also heard that Symington is using, "Johnson would make the very best president except for that heart attack." I think it imperative that you get a forthright statement made which would remove you from the elusive or doubtful class. It need not be the sounding off of the start of a campaign. Your statement should not be tricky, evasive, or a wise crack.

I also think there should not be a drive made for write-ins in the West Virginia convention, but there should be a good showing of spontaneous write-ins for you.

I hope that you will give an announcement thoughtful consideration. You should particularly be known as a Washington, D. C. figure rather than a Texas figure.

I presume that the letter, copies of which I enclose, from the Dallas News, has been widely publicized as it was published in the Washington Post last Sunday.

With best wishes.

Sincerely,

H. L. Hunt

April 8, 1960

Senator Lyndon Johnson
Senate Office Building
Washington, D. C.

Dear Senator Johnson:

I enclose a letter to the Editor of the Dallas Morning News from W. F. Dickson, Austin, Texas, and an editorial giving the News version of the Wisconsin primary. The W. F. Dickson letter again impresses me with the imperative need for you to make a dignified statement about your availability for the Presidency.

As I wrote before, many think that you are not physically able to assume the office of President and others consider that you are carrying on some trickery and slickness for which there is no need. If you have friends advising you that you should not make the dignified statement which I think is needed, I hope that they are wiser than I.

It is important that you be known as a Washingtonian rather than a Texan to get away from the prejudice prevailing throughout the U. S. and the world against Texans, and Mrs. Johnson is creating a most favorable impression everywhere.

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